

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

JENNIFER L. STATTON,

Plaintiff,

v.

CAROLYN W. COLVIN, Acting  
Commissioner of Social Security  
Administration,

Defendant.

NO: 13-CV-0245-TOR

ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED  
MOTION FOR REMAND

BEFORE THE COURT is the parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand (ECF No. 18). Pursuant to the parties' stipulation the motion is **GRANTED**. This case is hereby **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the Commissioner of Social Security for a *de novo* hearing and further administrative proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

On remand, the administrative law judge (ALJ) will reevaluate the medical opinion evidence and articulate what weight is given to each opinion. Furthermore,

1 upon remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the ALJ to follow the guidance in  
2 Social Security Ruling 13-2p, and to consider obtaining evidence from a  
3 psychological expert on the nature and severity of the claimant's mental  
4 impairments (20 C.F.R. § 416.927(e) and Social Security Ruling 96-6p).

5 The ALJ will make a *de novo* determination as to disability, and issue a new  
6 decision. Upon proper application, Plaintiff shall be eligible for attorney's fees  
7 under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 24 U.S.C. § 2412 *et seq.*

8 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

9 The District Court Executive is hereby directed to enter this Order, provide  
10 copies to counsel, enter **JUDGMENT** for Plaintiff, and **CLOSE** the file.

11 **DATED** March 12, 2014.



*Thomas O. Rice*  
THOMAS O. RICE  
United States District Judge